Listing of Claims

This listing replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

generating a first sub-file of source code; then encrypting said first sub-file of source code; then writing said first sub-file of source code to a buffer; then reading a second sub-file of source code from said buffer; then decrypting said second sub-file of source code; and then compiling said second sub-file of source code, including,

generating a first sub-file of intermediate source code; then

encrypting said first sub-file of intermediate source code; then

writing said first sub-file of intermediate source code to another buffer; then

reading a second sub-file of intermediate source code from said another buffer;

then

decrypting said second sub-file of intermediate source code; and then compiling said second sub-file of intermediate source code.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said first sub-file of source code comprises a line of source code.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said first sub-file of source code consists of a line of source code.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said second sub-file of source code comprises a line of source code.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said second sub-file of source code consists of a line of source code.

- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said first sub-file of source code is equivalent in size to said second sub-file of source code.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said first sub-file of source code is substantially larger in size than said second sub-file of source code.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said first sub-file of source code is substantially smaller in size than said second sub-file of source code.
- 9. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
 generating a third sub-file of source code; then
 encrypting said third sub-file of source code; then
 writing said third sub-file of source code to said buffer; then
 reading a fourth sub-file of source code from said buffer; then
 decrypting said fourth sub-file of source code; and then
 compiling said fourth sub-file of source code.
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said third sub-file of source code comprises a line of source code.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said third sub-file of source code consists of a line of source code.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said fourth sub-file of source code comprises a line of source code.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said fourth sub-file of source code consists of a line of source code.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said third sub-file of source code is equivalent in size to said fourth sub-file of source code.

- 15. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said third sub-file of source code is substantially larger in size than said fourth sub-file of source code.
- 16. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said third sub-file of source code is substantially smaller in size than said fourth sub-file of source code.
- 17. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said first sub-file of source code is equivalent in size to said third sub-file of source code.
- 18. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said first sub-file of source code is substantially larger in size than said third sub-file of source code.
- 19. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said first sub-file of source code is substantially smaller in size than said third sub-file of source code.
- 20. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said second sub-file of source code is equivalent in size to said fourth sub-file of source code.
- 21. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said second sub-file of source code is substantially larger in size than said fourth sub-file of source code.
- 22. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein said second sub-file of source code is substantially smaller in size than said fourth sub-file of source code.
- 23. (Canceled)
- 24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 [[23]], wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code comprises a line of source code.

- 25. (Currently Amended) The method of claim $\underline{1}$ [[23]], wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code consists of a line of intermediate source code.
- 26. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 [[23]], wherein said second sub-file of intermediate source code comprises a line of intermediate source code.
- 27. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein said second sub-file of intermediate source code consists of said line of source code.
- 28. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 [[23]], wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code is equivalent in size to said second sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 29. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 [[23]], wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially larger in size than said second sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 [[23]], wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially smaller in size than said second sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 [[23]], further comprising: generating a third sub-file of intermediate source code; then encrypting said third sub-file of intermediate source code; then writing said third sub-file of intermediate source code to said another buffer; then reading a fourth sub-file of intermediate source code from said another buffer; then decrypting said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code; and then compiling said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 32. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said third sub-file of intermediate source code comprises a line of source code.

- 33. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said third sub-file of intermediate source code consists of a line of intermediate source code.
- 34. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code comprises a line of intermediate source code.
- 35. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code consists of a line of source code.
- 36. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said third sub-file of intermediate source code is equivalent in size to said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 37. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said third sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially larger in size than said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 38. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said third sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially smaller in size than said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 39. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code is equivalent in size to said third sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 40. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially larger in size than said third sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 41. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said first sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially smaller in size than said third sub-file of intermediate source code.
- 42. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said second sub-file of intermediate source code is equivalent in size to said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code.

43. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said second sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially larger in size than said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code. 44. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein said second sub-file of intermediate source code is substantially smaller in size than said fourth sub-file of intermediate source code. 45. (Original) A computer program, comprising computer or machine readable program elements translatable for implementing the method of claim 1. 46. (Original) An apparatus for performing the method of claim 1. 47. (Original) A computer program compiled by the method of claim 1. 48. (Original) A circuit designed using the computer program of claim 47. 49. (Original) An electronic media, comprising a program for performing the method of claim 1. 50. (Canceled) 51. (Canceled) 52. (Canceled)

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